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POWER
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is coordinating with the United States to establish Indo- US bilateral Cooperation in the field of Energy;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the agreement made between both the countries under the bilateral cooperation?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED)

(a) to (c) : Yes, Sir. India and the United States of America announced an agreement on 14.04.2005 on a new Energy Dialogue. The co-chairperson from the Indian side is Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission and from the US side, their Energy Secretary. The first meeting of the Indo-US Energy Dialogue took place on 31.05.2005 in Washington DC. The meeting resulted in an understanding to establish a Steering Committee to supervise the five Working Groups under the dialogue in the following areas:

- Civil Nuclear Energy.
- Oil & Gas.
- Power & Energy Efficiency.
- Coal
- New Technologies & Renewable Energy.

The Indo-US Energy Dialogue is aimed at promoting increased trade and investment in the energy sector by working with the public and private sectors to identify further areas of cooperation and collaboration.